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BATTLE RAGING ABOVE MONASTIR

DETERMINED RESISTANCE NORTH OF MONASTIR.

PARIS, Nov. 22.—The French War office reports that energetic resistance is being offered by the Germans and Bulgarians on the Macedonian front north of Monastir. The advance of the allied forces is also delayed by fog. 500 more prisoners have been taken. The German-Bulgarian forces are accepting battle on a line from Sogrevo, three miles north of Monastir, to southwest of Makovo, 13 miles northeast of the city. Besides war material the Bulgarians abandoned their wounded around Monastir. The dead include two entire regiments of Bulgarian infantry.

GERMAN ARTILLERY ACTIVE ON THE ANCRE.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—A British headquarters statement says that during the night the German artillery was active against the new British front on the Ancre.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR DIES OF PNEUMONIA.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—A Zurich despatch states that Emperor Francis Joseph died of pneumonia, the result of walking in Schoenbrunn Park with the King of Bavaria.

GERMAN PEACE EFFORTS "INSINCERE AND USELESS."

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 22.—Maximilian Harden in his paper condemns German efforts to provoke peace discussion as insincere and useless.

STEAMER TORPEDOED; NURSES AND OTHERS SAVED.

ATHENS, Nov. 22.—The Greek steamer Sparta has been torpedoed. Nearly all on board were saved, including several nurses.

SUB. SEIZES MAIL; CARGO THROWN OVERBOARD.

MARSEILLES, Nov. 22.—The Greek steamer Erisos has arrived here and reports that she was stopped by a submarine, which seized 118 sacks of mail and forced her to throw her cargo overboard.

POPE CONGRATULATED ON SIXTY-SECOND BIRTHDAY.

ROME, Nov. 22.—On the occasion of the sixty-second birthday of Pope Benedict yesterday his Holiness received messages of congratulations from all parts of the world.

FRENCH TAKE CENSUS OF 1918 CONSCRIPTS.

PARIS, Nov. 22.—The Chamber of Deputies last night by a vote of 450 to 38 adopted a bill providing for the taking of a census of the 1918 conscripts. The debate was marked by the antagonistic tactics of a few socialists.

ONTARIO ASSOCIATED BOARDS OF TRADE

At the annual meeting at Hamilton of the Provincial Boards of Trade, W. N. Ponton, K.C., was made Honorary President and Mr. John Elliott, a member of the Executive Council, Col. Ponton spoke at the banquet held last night at the Royal Connaught. He believed the solving of the immigration problem was the beginning of a greater Imperial Federation of the Overseas Dominions, the one great element linking the silken chain of commerce girdling the globe.

DRIVEHOUSE BURNED.

Mr. E. B. Mallory of the Front of Sidney Lost Buildings—No Insurance.

On Monday afternoon about four o'clock fire destroyed the drivehouse on the farm of Mr. E. B. Mallory, Front of Sidney, near Bayville. The building was one which had been moved upon to premises and was in a good state of repair. Within the structure was a quantity of hay which was burned. The other contents including horses, buggy and automobile were rescued from the flames. The building was not insured. The loss will be about five hundred dollars.

STRUCK BY TEAM

Mr. James Woodley, Murney St., was the victim of a painful accident on Monday on Molra street near Cooper's mill. He had stepped from the walk to the road when a team of horses struck him, knocking him down and the wheels of the wagon were attached to, running over his right shoulder and hand. Mr. Woodley is incapacitated from work for a few days. He does not know who the driver was.

155th BAND RETURNING

The 155th brass band, now the band of the 254th battalion will arrive in Belleville Saturday after its tour of the Third Division.

FOE'S AGENTS LEAVE ATHENS

LONDON, Nov. 22.—A despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Athens says the delay demanded by the Austro-German diplomats in their deportation from Athens has been refused and that all of them will leave Athens today.

An Athens despatch, under yesterday's date, says: "The diplomatic representatives of the central empires who were ordered by the entente authorities to leave Greece have asked that they be allowed until Saturday to take their departure. This morning the secretary of the American legation, Sheldon Whitehouse, had a conference with the Turkish, Bulgarian and Austrian ministers with reference to the United States taking over the interests of their nationals. The Dutch minister will be charged with the care of the German interests."

"The Greek Government is greatly preoccupied as to what course it should follow in the event of the central ministers demanding its protection. Up to the present the government is not involved in the question of the expulsion of the diplomatic representatives of these powers as the order for their departure was delivered direct to the legations by Vice-Admiral Du Fournet's aide, the Greek government merely being advised as to what had been done."

"The Austrian and German minister refused to accept the admiral's communication, returning it to him. The king fears that they may refuse to leave Athens, requiring Admiral Du Fournet to take them from the legation by force, which would complicate the position of Greece."

According to information from the highest sources furnished to the Associated Press, King Constantine does not object to the departure of the ministers, but he does not desire to be put into the position of refusing to accept their protection if they demand it. From the same source it is stated that the ministers of the central powers, not being in communication with their governments can hardly be said to represent anything diplomatically, but have been a cause of embarrassment to the sovereign.

According to a cable from Athens under Monday's date the crown council has decided in principle to refuse to surrender the arms and munitions of Greece to the Allies, as demanded by Vice-Admiral Du Fournet, the commander of the allied fleet. It is stated in the despatch that a crowd cheered King Constantine when he left the palace after the conference and that it is understood Premier Lambros will remain in power for the present.

NO MORE PLOWING

Reports from the farmers all over the county say that the work of plowing is becoming increasingly difficult owing to the frost in the ground, and that there is little likelihood of fall work being resumed. On very few farms was any attempt made yesterday, and there was every indication that today would see all outdoor work abandoned. Ordinarily, a tie-up by frost at this season would not be serious, but this year an enormous amount of work on the land yet remains to be done.

MARINA'S SINKING IS INDEFENSIBLE.

Washington, Nov. 22.—Complete texts of the affidavits of the American survivors of the British steamer Marina, sunk on Oct. 28 with the loss of six American citizens, reached the state department today from the embassy at London. Officials of the department indicated that the texts corroborated the summary cabled to the department two weeks, quoting the survivors as saying the vessel had been torpedoed without warning and had not attempted to escape.

The nationality of the submarine or submarines which caused the sinking has not been definitely established. Survivors said there were two of them and that each fired a torpedo. The department has requested Charge Crew to inquire as to what facts the German government may have, but as yet no reply has been received. This is thought extraordinary, as word was expected inside the 24 days that have elapsed since the sinking. The admitted fact that the Marina carried a 4.7-inch stern defence gun or that she had been used to carry horses for the British army will not be considered here as legal justification for an unwarned attack upon her.

As to the British steamer Arabia, sunk in the Mediterranean Nov. 6 by an unknown submarine, Secretary Lansing said today that the department was still awaiting information from Germany.

"OBSERVER" REPLIES TO MR. JOHNSON ON A WARM SUBJECT.

Editor Ontario.—Mr. Johnson, is angry, I am sorry, I did not intend to ruffle a plume on his wings. I felt proud of him, because he was bold enough to voice his opinions, and I ventured to support what I deemed his views, by references to Dr. Henderson and Mr. Beecher. If your readers will read Mr. Johnson's letter they will see what his views really are. The letter explains his position. I do not know what the position he takes is sound theology. If a gangster shoots and kills a man for gold, and afterwards joins the allies, and is killed by the Germans I can scarcely believe that his patriotism will open the doors of heaven to him. Mr. Johnson apparently thinks such a man would be saved. Of course, a sinless recruit if shot, would go to heaven; but the other fellow might find some difficulty in getting past St. Peter. However in these theological matters, one is treading upon thin ice. I do not know if anyone has yet discovered how evil came into the world, where everything was sinless and pure. Let me assure Mr. Johnson that the Honorable Mr. Rogers has an epidemic quite thick enough to turn aside the arrows of a little gallery. I do not see that the Honorable gentleman could possibly feel annoyance at being grouped with the Kaiser and John Wesley Allison. Major General Sam. declares that "John Wesley" is his bosom friend, his Jonathan, as pure as a snowflake, and whose word he would take in preference to the word of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, or the Hon. member for S.W. Toronto. The Kaiser mounts the pulpit and declares, that he is the vice-generat or God sent to punish the nations for their sins, and he ought to know. Therefore, Robert should feel proud of the grouping. I am yours, Observer.

WORKERS HELD UP

About 300 men who were coming to Canada to work on building a munition plant in Trenton, Ont., were stopped by the immigration officers to day. Asked the reason for it by the Review this afternoon Inspector Ho-mann said this afternoon that there was nothing for publication as they had received instruction to give no information to the newspapers. —Niagara Falls Review.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Major J. M. Wilson was in the city today.

Mr. John Wheeler is very seriously ill.

Mr. John Wiggins, Everett street, was taken with a weak spell last evening.

Mrs. Hugh Wilcox of Detroit is visiting her brother Mr. James Hudson, Dunbar Street.

Lieut. Graham and Sergt. Patrick Hayes of Headquarters M. P. staff, Kingston were in town yesterday.

Rev. C. G. Smith of Belleville is in the city in the interests of the Temple Fund of Montreal. He will speak at the Wednesday evening meeting at Murray Street Church. Rev. Mr. Smith is the guest of the pastor, 194 London Street. —Peterborough Review.

Lt.-Col. Wilson has asked for the return of 25 handmen, and some of these are on their way back to Canada from England. These are drawn from men who are physically unfit for the front. Three arrived in Kingston yesterday afternoon. They will be used for recruiting purposes.

Mr. W. B. Riggs was taken suddenly ill while on a trip about a week ago in the country district. He at once came home and has since been in a serious condition from a complication of troubles. His son, Mr. Leo B. Riggs, of New York and his daughter, Miss Wanda, of Toronto, have both arrived home. Today Mr. Riggs is reported to be holding his own with slight indications of improvement.

The following letter has been received from the front: No. 91522 Headquarters Staff 3rd Canadian Divisional Artillery B.E.F., France.

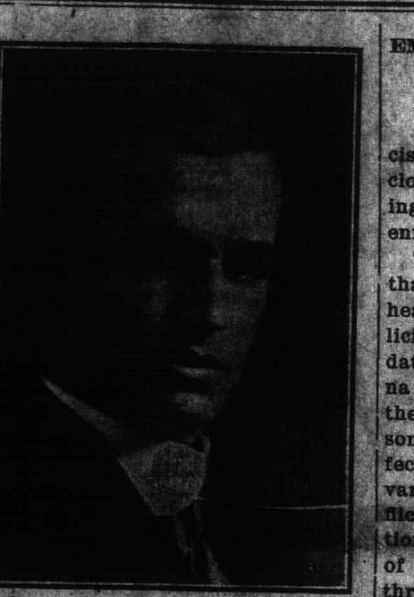
Dear Mrs. Minns, I have just been presented with a most beautiful pair of hand-knitted socks, and finding the attached slip of paper inside, I am taking the liberty of writing a few lines to let you know that somewhere in France is a very happy soldier who highly appreciates your loving gift.

A terrible bombardment is taking place at present and the sky is illuminated for miles.

Again thanking you for your great interest in the boys, and assuring you that a prayer will be said for the donor who spent many hours knitting for

Yours truly, Fred Mawdsley.

October 1st, 1916.



Lt. Arthur Ackerman was a brother of Lt.-Col. Ackerman. He died of wounds received in action in France. His body was brought home by his brother-in-law, Major S. T. Midd. The funeral took place at Peterborough on Wed. Nov. 8 last. Major R. D. Poston and Capt. E. D. O'Flynn of this city were pall-bearers at the funeral.

HON. MR. DUFF'S DEATH.

TORONTO, November 21st, 1916.—Widespread regret has been felt throughout the Province at the sudden death of Hon. J. S. Duff, Minister of Agriculture. His Department has been criticized vigorously by the Liberals, but Mr. Duff himself personally was very popular on both sides of the House. Once a year he would deliver a specially prepared oration and the benches on both Government and Opposition sides were always filled to hear his speech, which would deal in an interesting way, not only with agriculture, but with public affairs generally.

MILITARY NOTES

There has been a misunderstanding between the 235th and the 254th battalions as to which organization should have the use of Griffin's opera house for the public meeting next Sunday night. We are pleased to report that the difficulty has been satisfactorily smoothed away. Capt. McLean of the 235th, who had charge of the arrangements for his battalion has very graciously given up all claim in the matter and has requested Hon. Arthur Meighen, who had been engaged to address the meeting, to carry out his engagement under the auspices of the 254th. The officers and men of the 254th greatly appreciate Capt. McLean's courtesy and sportsmanlike spirit.

Major Campbell, chief recruiting officer of the division is in town today arranging for Sunday evening's meeting to be held in the opera house under the auspices of the 254th battalion. The brass band of the 155th will be present. This organization is said to be the best military band in Canada. In Ottawa hundreds were turned away unable to get admittance to the building where the band was playing. It is expected that a minister of the crown will be present from Ottawa.

Capt. E. D. O'Flynn was last night given the First, Second and Third degrees in Odd Fellowship by the degree teams of Mizpah Lodge No. 127, I.O.O.F. There was a large attendance of brethren.

Mrs. David Price is improving after a serious illness.

Mr. W. B. Riggs is reported as much better today.

EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH SUCCEEDS TO OLD AGE.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—Emperor Francis Joseph died last night at 9 o'clock at Schoenbrunn Castle, according to a Reuter despatch from Vienna by way of Amsterdam.

The first intimation received here that Emperor Francis Joseph's health was again the subject of solicitation was contained in a despatch dated Nov. 12 emanating from Vienna News Agency, which reported that the Emperor had been suffering for some days from a slight catarrhal affection. Subsequent reports from various sources, more or less conflicting, represented that his condition was becoming worse, but none of them indicated that his illness threatened to reach a critical state, and from Vienna came assurances that he was still able to give audiences to one or more ministers daily.

What gave some credence to the suspicion that his condition was much graver than the official bulletins indicated was the report which still lacks confirmation that it had been decided to associate the heir to the throne, Archduke Charles Francis, in the government of the country, and that he was to assume the position on Dec. 2 on the 68th anniversary of the Emperor's accession to the throne.

So far as is known here Archduke Charles is still at the front in command of the army.

Archduke Charles Francis, grandnephew of Emperor Francis Joseph, became heir to the throne of Austria-Hungary by the assassination of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, prior to the outbreak of the war. He has been in command of the Austrian armies on various fronts during the past two years.

Archduke Charles Francis was born on Aug. 17, 1887. His wife was Princess Zita of the Bourbon house of Parma. His father was the Archduke Otto, who was the younger brother of Francis Ferdinand.

CROWD TO SEE VILLAGE DOCTOR

West Belleville Amateurs Gave Most Successful Dramatic Performance.

The assembly room of West Belleville church was crowded to capacity last night to witness the performance of "The Young Village Doctor," a comedy-drama of rural life in Ontario, by a company of talented amateurs. There were no dull moments in the presentation, and the audience that came to be amused, went away thoroughly satisfied. The laughs were frequent, hearty and spontaneous.

The comedy depicts life in a country village in Ontario as it was known a generation ago. A young physician, just graduated from college comes to settle in the village. His experiences with the various types of patients and an interesting love-story of which he is the principal, make up the "plot."

The part of the young doctor, which was by far the heaviest role, was assumed by Mr. C. I. Frederick, teacher of the fourth room in Queen Mary school. Mr. Frederick is an amateur of far more than ordinary histrionic ability. His acting all through was very natural and appealing. Mrs. "Chas. Walters, who essayed the role of Miss Jane Crane was very graceful and pleasing. Mrs. Crane, her designing mother, gave a fine touch of humor to the situations, by her drollery as portrayed by Miss S. J. Herity. Two very amusing characters were Mr. Simon Grabbe and Mrs. Grabbe, the former, a skinflint farmer, taken by Mr. Geo. Clapp, the latter, his invalid wife by Mrs. Arthur Gordon. This inimitable couple later rendered two comic duets. Mr. Roy Bird as Mr. Lovejoy, a bucolic lover, was a great success and very droll. Mr. A. Haines, M.A., as Mr. Brier, the village barrister, gave a dignified interpretation of the character of Mr. Brier, added by the characters of Mrs. Ware, taken by Mrs. J. N. Clarry, and Master Ware, by Master Austin Walters. Mrs. Geo. Clapp as Mrs. Noonan, a chronic patron of the doctors, was especially good.

The lighter roles of Dr. Oldfield by Mr. Max Herity, Mrs. Frost by Mrs. Wm. Drewery, Miss Belinda Chisler by Mrs. Ethel Herity, Mr. Solomon Wisecare by Mr. Wilbur Bateman, and the soldier by Mr. Percy Mott, were all very artistically and satisfactorily filled.

During the last act, in which the wedding of Dr. Young and Miss Jane was celebrated, a brief miscellaneous program was introduced.

Mr. O. K. Pimlott sang a solo and was heartily encored. The duet by Miss Lobb and Mr. Pimlott, "The Gipsy Countess" received an ovation of applause. Pte. Roy Walters, recently returned from the front gave several remarkably fine selections on the mandolin, with Mrs. Clarry accompanying on the piano. The work of Mrs. Clarry as accompanist was a delight and satisfaction to all. Humorous recitations by Miss Ray Farrell and others and several other choruses and vocal numbers rounded out an unusually rich and varied program.

ORGANIZATION FOR RED CROSS

Took Place Last Evening—Executive Appointed—Opportunity For All to Give.

"The people are ready. The question is to perfect the organization," said Judge Wills, who was chosen chairman of the meeting in the City Hall last night, the purpose of which was to initiate a scheme for making collections for the British Red Cross. Ald. W. A. Woodley who called the meeting to order, regretted the absence of Mayor Ketchum, who is a staunch friend of the Red Cross, and praised the work of the association. Mr. H. B. Stork was chosen secretary of the meeting.

Judge Wills did not elaborate upon the work of the Red Cross. "It touches the heartstrings of us all and especially of those who have friends at the front. Our purpose is to obtain contributions. Belleville is indebted to the B.R.C. to a considerable extent for it has looked after our boys," said the judge. "The amount we should give rests with you yourselves and it should be a giving from each and everyone of you, not all from one who is wealthy. For that reason, we must have complete organization to press upon the people their responsibility and give the opportunity to everyone to contribute."

There are two great funds—the Red Cross and the Patriotic Fund—we should support. The local canvass for the Patriotic Fund will not be taken up before the last week of January 1917.

"During the past few days I have heard hundreds of citizens express their willingness to contribute to the Red Cross," said Mr. Stork, suggesting the adoption of the door-to-door canvassing. This is a very commendable idea, and we will consider it if the people are interested in it."

and the problem is only to get the volunteers."

"You get the best results in keeping canvassers limited to their own wards," declared Ald. Woodley.

"I want to do all I can in this work," said Rev. Dr. Baker. "There is very little we can do when we think of the men who are fighting and battling. Giving money is easy. But to give ourselves, as the soldiers and women and people all over the country are doing, is something quite different."

"If this war does nothing else than take our thoughts from ourselves, it is worth much."

"If we do not enter into the spirit of sacrifice, it is worth the pouring out of blood by our sons and steel."

"We are spending nearly \$5,000 per month in the city for the patriotic fund up to the present time, our contributions pay our way. There is this fund to look forward to next year."

"I believe our people will respond," declared the speaker, citing the success of the Endowment appeal for Albert College. "The appeal to the heroic will be heard."

Ald. Deacon suggested that the organization that worked the Patriotic Fund Collection in 1916 should take up this work. It would get them into a preliminary center for the January collection.

A nominating committee was appointed as follows:—Judge Wills, Ald. Woodley, Ald. Smith, Ald. Deacon, D. V. Sinclair, R. Tannahill, Judge Deroche and S. Robertson.

The meeting adjourned, the committee set to work and drafted committees. Officers were elected as follows:—

Chairman of the General Committee—Judge Wills.

Vice-Chairman—S. Robertson.

Treasurer—R. Tannahill.

Secretary—H. B. Stork.

Publicity Committee—Judge Wills, Judge Deroche, R. Tannahill, J. O. Herity, C. J. Bowell, W. B. Deacon, H. B. Stork.

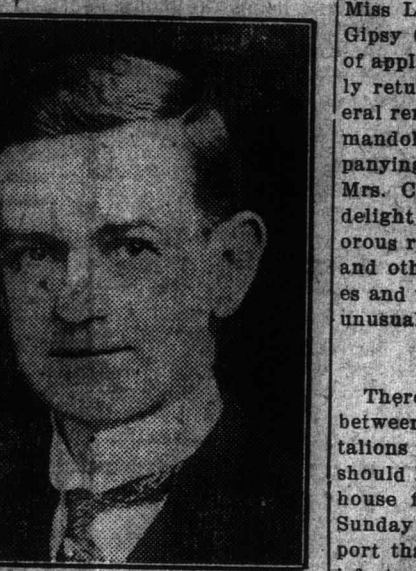
Chairmen and vice-chairmen were selected for the various ward polling sub-divisions of the city. These men are to select the workers whom they desire on that committee and will meet in the City Hall on Friday evening of this week to complete their organization.

INQUEST ADJOURNED

The inquest into the death of John Cook will be resumed tomorrow evening instead of tonight.

HE RODE ON THE WALK

In police court today a youth was fined \$5 for cycling on a sidewalk.



W. F. NICKLE, M.P., KINGSTON. William Folger Nickle, K.C., B.A., M.P., the popular and independent Conservative member for Kingston in the House of Commons is a native of the Limestone City where he was born Dec. 31, 1869, the son of William and Ellen Mary (Folger) Nickle. He was educated by private tuition, the Kingston collegiate and Queen's University (B.A. 1892) and Osgoode Hall, Toronto. He was called to the Ontario bar in 1895 and created a K.C. in 1908. He was elected to the Ontario legislature as member for Kingston in 1908 and resigned his seat to contest Kingston for the House of Commons, which he did successfully in 1911. He has been twice married and has two sons and one daughter. He has lately been mentioned as a possibility for cabinet promotion in case of cabinet reconstruction.

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